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Advisory Action

THE	PERIOD FOR RESPONSE: [check only a) or b)]			
a)	expires months from the mailing date of the final rejection.			
b)	expires either three months from the mailing date of the final rejection, or on the mailing date of this Advisory Action, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for the response expire later than six months from the date of the final rejection.			
da de	ny extension of time must be obtained by filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a), the proposed response and the appropriate fee. The late on which the response, the petition, and the fee have been filed is the date of the response and also the date for the purposes of stermining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. Any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 will be alculated from the date of the originally set shortened statutory period for response or as set forth in b) above.			
☐ A	ppellant's Brief is due two months from the date of the Notice of Appeal filed on (or within any eriod for response set forth above, whichever is later). See 37 CFR 1.191(d) and 37 CFR 1.192(a).			
	icant's response to the final rejection, filed on <u>Jan 29, 2001</u> has been considered with the following effect, s NOT deemed to place the application in condition for allowance:			
X TI	ne proposed amendment(s):			
will be entered upon filing of a Notice of Appeal and an Appeal Brief.				
X	will not be entered because:			
	they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See note below).			
	they raise the issue of new matter. (See note below).			
	they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal.			
	they present additional claims without cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.			
	NOTE: The insertion of the language "a plurality of functional groups with same functionalities" presents a new			
	issue for consideration since Guire may not meet this limitation.			
	Applicant's response has overcome the following rejection(s):			
□ N	lewly proposed or amended claims would be allowable if submitted in a eparate, timely filed amendment cancelling the non-allowable claims.			
	The affidavit, exhibit or request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition or allowance because:			
	The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.			
X F	or purposes of Appeal, the status of the claims is as follows (see attached written explanation, if any):			
C	Claims allowed:			
	Claims objected to:			
C	Claims rejected: <u>1-11, 14, 15, and 21-28</u>			
□ T	he proposed drawing correction filed on has has not been approved by the Examiner.			
	lote the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s)			
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